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## THE KIRBY TRAGEDY.

MORE OF THE DETAILS OF THE SAD AFFAIR.

Several Different Stories as to the Circumstances Which led up to the Shooting.

Regarding the Kirby tragedy an account of which was published in last week's News there seems to be several stories as to the circumstances surrounding the sad affair.

Mr. C. H. Butts, who formerly lived near Dodge City, the scene of the tragedy, has received from a friend the following account of the shooting:

"Mr. and Mrs. Kirby moved into the Park hotel about the middle of February. From what the children say I guess they never did get along very well. On last Monday they had been having pretty serious trouble and Mattie wanted her mother to leave early Monday morning but she did not go. About noon Mr. Kirby went to Robinson's store and bought a .38 revolver and had five loads put in it. He went home and went to his wife's room and found her there. He locked the door and told her he was going to take her with him. She begged pitifully for her life but it did no good.

"In the struggle that followed the first two shots went into the ceiling and the next two struck Mrs. Kirby, one under the left eye and one in the left temple. Mr. Kirby then shot himself in the right temple. Both carried life insurance, \$3,000 each. The ladies were sent out Thursday morning."

A third account taken from the Kansas City Journal reads as follows:

"The telegrams of one day last week told of the killing of Mrs. E. Kirby at Dodge City, by her husband, and the subsequent suicide of the murderer. But the brief account then given did not express the remarkable nature of this tragedy. Mr. and Mrs. Kirby had recently come to Dodge City and opened a hotel. They were striking couple and well appeared lived most happily. Each had been married before and was the parent of one child. The circumstances of the family were more than comfortable. However, it soon became known that they had quarreled and that most of the time was on the husband's side. He was devoted to an extraordinary degree and the quarrels were not of his making. The wife said:

"I such an influence over him that she led him to put all his property in her name. Thus she came to own the hotel, a farm in Missouri, a ranch in Colorado. Only a week before the killing the husband had purchased a \$500 piano and he was constantly doing all in his power to make things pleasant and comfortable for her.

"On the day of the killing he entered the hotel in apparent good spirits. At the door of the living apartments he met his wife dressed for a trip down town. She told him she was going to see a lawyer about getting a divorce and that all was over between them. At this he seized a revolver and shot her dead and a moment later blew his own brains out. When the people who were attracted by the shots came near the 15-year-old son of exclaimed excitedly, 'Oh, papa has killed mamma and himself, but he is not to blame.' And this was the expression that led up to the knowledge that peace had not always reigned in the family.

"An old, old question of descent of property is raised by this tragedy. The query is whether the man or the woman died first. The property was all in the woman's name. If she died first her husband and her daughter by a former marriage were joint heirs to the estate and half of it by the man's death would descend to his son. But if the man died first, his son is out entirely and all the estate goes to the daughter. Both were dead when the people reached there. Yet the presumption is that the man made sure of the woman's death before he committed suicide, and probably the courts will so hold."

### A Fine Specimen.

Mr. H. Hendricks was in Webb City last Thursday looking after his mining interests near that place. From the mine in which he is interested they are taking out some fine stuff, a specimen of which Mr. Hendricks brought up with him and has it on exhibition at his store. The specimen was taken out of the ground while Mr. Hendricks was there and is a very pretty one. It weighs 75 pounds and attracts quite a great deal of attention.

Jasper county Federal soldiers' reunion. The 10th to Carthage, Webb City and Joplin one fare for round trip, with minimum of 50c. Final limit Aug. 18.

Try our Coco Cola when wanting a drink. Star Restaurant.

## THE WATCH IS FOUND.

Miss Earl's Lost Timepiece Returned to the Owner.

Miss Sallie Earl has recovered her watch which she lost a couple of weeks ago. Mrs. T. F. Hull the finder is visiting in the Indian Territory and on hearing who was the owner of the watch sent it through the mail to the Maltby postoffice where it was turned over to the owner after describing it. Mr. Hull was in the city Monday and informs us that the account of the finding of the watch in last week's paper did his wife an injustice in that it left the impression that she was trying to keep any body from finding its whereabouts. He says although she passed Miss Earl on the road after finding the watch, there were no indications by her actions that she had lost anything and was hunting for it. He also states that inquiry was made in Jasper and in the country as to anybody losing a watch but learned nothing as to Miss Earl's loss until Mrs. Hull had started on her visit to the Territory.

### Gave them a Surprise.

A number of friends and relatives of Mr. Daniel Roberts gave him a very pleasant and agreeable surprise last Saturday evening. The guests arrived about 8 o'clock bringing with them ice cream and cakes which were greatly enjoyed by all. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Lawson and daughter Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hill and baby, Mrs. Lydia Hill and daughters Irene and Helen, Messrs. Homer, Pres and Martin Roberts, Edwin Lawson, Charlie Root and John Smith, Misses Ida Roberts, Lizzie and Lula Lawson. They all enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

About all of the Jaspers who have been down to El Reno have returned. Messrs. McClellan and Stewart stayed for the auction of town lots. Frank Kuffman who drove a claim is on his way home. As he started before his name was drawn, it is probable that he is not aware that he was one of the lucky ones.

"C. O. Wine, for the past ten months a resident of Carthage, Mo., was buying some land near Jasper. He reports that farmers in that locality are plowing for wheat and that the ground is fairly moist."

Just as Mr. Newton Owens started to town yesterday morning his horse became fractious and upset the buggy. Mr. Owens was thrown out and was unconscious for a short time. He soon recovered enough to resume his journey.

Mr. Geo. Andrews' and Mrs. Ranion's classes of the Presbyterian Sunday school enjoyed a picnic at Batt's grove last Tuesday afternoon. An enjoyable time is reported.

R. N. Arnold, who moved his harness shop to Neek City a couple of years ago, has moved it back and is occupying the Crane building.

Found in the east part of town a check payable to C. S. Briggs. The owner may have the same by calling upon Mrs. J. N. Lawrence.

Mr. H. O. Baker and sons Lawrence and Frank left this morning for a sojourn in the mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jones, of Nashville, visited Dr. and Mrs. Schooner in this city Sunday.

Mr. E. W. Scott visited friends and relatives east of the city over Sunday.

Dr. Gooding returned Friday from a business trip to Kansas City.

Miss Corbell Price, of Alba, visited Miss Mattie Corbell last week.

R. W. Sheets has been on the sick list this week.

Ice cream and ice cream sodas every day at the Star Restaurant. Blotches and excoriations, which so often annoy people, are simply efforts of nature to throw off impurities to the proper performance of her duties. HERBINE will aid and assist nature in her work, and ensure a skin clear and beautiful, entirely free from all imperfections. Price 50c. E. I. Landerbaugh Drug Co.

Health Foods. Grape Fruits, a food for brain and nerves. Postum Cereal, Diamond Macaroni, Crystal Flakes, Tapioca and Knox's Sparkling Gelatine can be found at Crandall's.

P. T. Thomas, Sumterville, Ala., "I was suffering from dyspepsia when I commenced taking Kodol Dyspepsia cure. I took several bottles and can digest anything. Kodol Dyspepsia cure is the only preparation containing all the natural digestive fluids. It gives weak stomachs entire rest, restoring their natural condition. E. I. Landerbaugh Drug Co.

## OIL ON UNDERHILL FARM.

FOUND IN A TWO HUNDRED FOOT WELL.

Vein is not very strong, but indications point to a stronger vein at a greater depth.

"G. T. Underhill, living eleven miles northeast of town on the base line, has oil flowing continually on a well which he recently drilled 200 feet on his place for water. A bunch of grass dipped in burned like a flash. It seems to be of good quality and deeper drilling might develop oil in larger quantity.

The oil found made its appearance as the drilling of the well was being brought to a finish. There was only a trace at first but it appears to accumulate in considerable quantities in the well. Mr. Underhill intends to drill the well deeper and see what is there."

### Lula Lawson Entertains.

Miss Lula Lawson delightfully entertained at her home in the north part of town, a number of her young friends on Thursday, Aug. 1, 1901. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served during the evening by her sister, Miss Lizzie Lawson. Those present were Ona Boots, Alma Rhoades, Maud Tabler, Gertrude Spaid, Maud Spaid, Ruth Brunner, Berta Melton, Edna Gooding, Elsie Boncher, Juanita Hendricks, Alta Cathers and Maud Hershey.

### The Lucky Ones.

Those who are entitled to prizes offered by Mrs. J. W. Boucher for the largest purchases during the season are as follows:

Mrs. S. M. Butts, soap, money spent during the season, \$28.95.

Mrs. W. B. Milton, water set, money spent during the season, \$21.65.

Mrs. M. E. Peterson, paper pack, money spent during the season, \$18.75.

Mr. Vance Criss, of Springfield is visiting his friend Mr. Fred Fox east of city. Messrs. Criss and Fox were classmates at the Marionville College. In Criss who was formerly preaching in the Carthage District of the M. E. Church.

Miss Fannie Maggill, who has been visiting her cousin the Misses Peterson returned home Saturday. Messrs. Merita and Ethel Peterson accompanied her and spent Sunday in Carthage.

There will be an ice cream social in the St. Carmel neighborhood next Saturday night. The exact place has not been announced but it will be near the church.

One of Mr. and Mrs. John Cathers' twins the little boy died yesterday morning and was buried at the Stafford grave yard in the afternoon.

The July shipments from Jasper consist of 11 cars wheat, 10 cars of hogs, 7 cars cattle, and 5 cars flax—33 cars in all.

Mr. A. W. Monroe came up from Carthage Monday and spent the day with his son Lynn Monroe.

J. A. Rhoades and Oren Humason attended Old Fellows meeting at Carthage last night.

Mrs. Clarence Stratton returned Tuesday night from a visit to Nebraska.

Mr. Fred Fox expects to start in a few days for Oregon.

Mrs. H. Hunt returned yesterday from a visit to Oronogo.

Miss Emma Hendricks is visiting her sister at Alba this week.

Lunch goods of all descriptions at the Star Restaurant.

A free and easy expectation is produced by a few doses of BALLARD'S HOUSEHOLD SYRUP, in all cases of hoarseness, sore throat, or difficulty of breathing. Price 25 and 50c. E. I. Landerbaugh Drug Co.

Fresh Bread at the Star Restaurant.

Sledge and Sweet Mash Tobacco 25 cents a pound at Hendrick's.

## At My Old Stand

I desire to call the attention of the public to the fact that I am again at my old stand with a nice line of

## Flour & Feed

When in need of anything in this line give me a call.

J. H. NEAR.

## J. C. THOMPSON'S WILL.

It Was Probated at Carthage Saturday.

The will of the late J. C. Thompson, was probated at Carthage last Saturday. He gave such a part of block 5 in the third addition to Jasper City as has not already been sold, as a bequest to his daughter, Mary J. Barker. This is the property occupied by H. M. Barker on North Main street, and consists of a house and five lots. What remains of block 4 in the third addition he bequeathed to his sons, Isaac S. Thompson, Eliza J. Thompson and Wm. T. Thompson and his daughter, Martha J. Rose. Block 4 is the property now occupied by W. H. Hagar on North Main street and consists of a house and four lots.

Hoghey M. Barker is named as executor. The will was drawn up May 4, 1890, and the witnesses were Omer Webb and W. Stapleton.

### Overcome by Heat.

L. W. Dalney returned last week from a business trip to Kansas City. While in that city he was overcome by heat while walking along the street and for a short time was in a critical condition. Feeling a dizziness coming on him he hurried to some chairs in front of a hotel which he reached just as he lost consciousness. The porter noticing that something was wrong rushed for a pitcher of ice water and bathed the head of the prostrate man which soon brought him round. Mr. Dalney says that he felt as though his whole body was a ball of fire. He drank five or six glasses of ice water which ordinarily would have killed him but in this case it seemed to bring him round all right.

The following persons, around Jasper, have purchased Cream Separators from J. W. Starrett: C. A. Covert, George Cook, S. Palmer, John Heuck, Mrs. Bell Patterson, S. B. Brown, L. C. Henderson, I. C. Paxson, U. S. Lawton, H. G. Griffin, F. M. Gwings, D. M. John, L. O. Patterson and J. Long. Those interested in butter making are requested to make inquiries of the above mentioned parties about the "Cream Separator," then come and buy one from J. W. Starrett.

past year or so left Monday morning for Michigan, where they will make their future home. They lived near Alma before they came to Jasper.

Dr. Key, the Nevada dentist who has been in Jasper for the past week, returned home last evening. The doctor did a great deal of work while in the city, and his patients seemed to be well pleased.

Mr. C. C. Trumble, Professor of the Commercial department of the Model Business College of Carthage, was in the city last Saturday in the interest of that institution.

Mrs. Miller has purchased the Ed. Owens farm 2 miles southwest of the city. The farm contains 80 acres and the consideration was \$2,000.

The ladies of the Methodist church will give an ice cream supper in the Hendricks building Saturday night.

Rodney, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Mount Fairfield, has been quite sick for the past week.

Otis Crandall went to Joplin the first of the week with a drove of cattle.

S. A. Reimer has traded his farm east of Jasper for Carthage property.

Mrs. Bert Webb has been quite sick for the past several days.

Rex & Cathers shipped a car load of hogs today.

Owl See Gars only 5c at Star Restaurant.

### This is Right

There is one good thing about Mother's Worm Syrup, and that is, it will never do anyone any harm should it fail to do him good. It is a good idea to try this remedy if you feel bad and don't exactly know what ails you. There may be a tape worm 100 feet long that is causing your loss of health. If so a 25 cent bottle of Mother's Worm Syrup will kill it and remove it from your body.

The beauty thief has come to stay. Unless you drive the pimples and black heads away.

Do this! Don't look like a fright! Take Rocky Mountain Tea to night. Ask your druggist.

"My baby was terribly sick with the diarrhoea," says J. H. Deak, of Williams Oregon. "We were unable to cure him with the doctor's assistance, and a last resort we tried Chamberlain's colic, cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I am happy to say it gave immediate relief and a complete cure." For sale by Webb Bros.

Go to the Star Restaurant for Ice cold drinks of all kinds.

## VISITED LAMAR MASONS.

Jasper Masons Attend Lodge in that City.

Messrs D. W. Schoolcraft, N. H. and L. O. Patterson, Dr. Schooner, John Laforce, O. E. Roberts and Ralph Fairfield went to Lamar last Friday evening to visit the Lamar Masons. They report a most delightful time. Some third degree work was done. There were quite a number of visitors from other towns present. After the regular work of the lodge several impromptu speeches were made by members of the Lamar lodge and by the visitors who were present from adjoining lodges. At eleven o'clock the Masons, to number of forty-six, marched from their hall to Harry Collins' restaurant where an elaborate supper was waiting. Everything good to eat was to be found upon the tables, including fruits and various delicacies. The Masons enjoyed the repast hugely as was evidenced by the fact that they remained at the tables until it was almost time for the Jasper visitors to leave in order to come home on the 12:13 a. m. Pacific train.

### The Spitting Habit.

Do you not know that is the worst habit the American people ever got into? Just think of it! Men all around in public places and spit! spit! continually, not thinking once how annoying it is to the parties who have to sweep it up and mop it up. All merchants with few exceptions like to keep their places of business neat and clean, how can they do so when there are men going out and in all the time and each one never fails to spit on the floor and probably throw a big chew of tobacco down side of the counter before he gets out.

And then there are consumptive people and people with bad coughs, cough and spit right on the floor for you to look at and walk around or into it or go and put some dust or ashes on it and sweep it up. Just think of it! Men, it is simply awful! Such a habit! One and all take warning and quit this exceedingly bad habit if you never quit any other.

### A REMINDER OF THE NEWS.

"Dr. Hull spent yesterday at his Bar. 25 hundred to the acre." Press.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson Heston visited their new Mrs. Wm. Rice in this city last week. Mr. Heston is a celebrated cartoonist and formerly lived in Carthage. He has been living in Tennessee for the past ten years.

Mrs. Crandall and daughter Bessie, Misses Lizzie Lawson, Maggie Peckles, Jennie Peterson and Chas. Butts were among those who attended the Sunday school convention at Carthage this week.

Miss Myrtle Starrett, of the Mt. Meriah neighborhood has been visiting her brother, J. W. Starrett and family this week.

Mrs. T. J. Simpson will move her millinery store to the Hendricks building just vacated by R. B. Hill.

R. B. Hill has moved his store to the Schoolcraft building and is now fixed up in fine shape.

Jonathan Honeck's youngest child had its arm dislocated Tuesday by falling out a wagon.

J. C. Cartwright shipped his threshing outfit to Colorado last week.

Ad Sharp Jr. got considerably bruised up Tuesday by a kicking horse.

If you want a good Cigar go to the Star Restaurant and call for an Owl, only 5c.

HERBINE is well adapted to the cure of fevers of all kinds, because it thoroughly cleanses the stomach and bowels of all bilious humors, and expels all impure excretions of the body. Price 25 and 50c. E. I. Landerbaugh Drug Co.

You can get Ice Cream Every Day at the Star Restaurant.

## DYSPEPSIA

"For six years I was a victim of dyspepsia in its worst form. I could eat nothing but milk toast, and at times my stomach would not retain and digest even that. Last March I began taking CASCARET, and since then I have steadily improved, until I am as well as ever was in my life."

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Hunt's Improved Ventilated  
Cream Separator  
What My Patrons Say:

CARTHAGE, Mo., July 21, 1901.  
To whomsoever it may concern.  
This is to certify that I have been using "Hunt's Improved Cream Separator" since about the 1st of last Feb. We get more cream and make firmer, sweeter and better butter than we did by the creek and ran system. Our Separator has more than paid for itself this season in the extra amount of butter it has made us. CLARK ALK, R. F. D. No. 2.

CARTHAGE, Mo., July 19, 1901.  
This is to certify that I have been using one of "Hunt's Improved Cream Separators." I can cheerfully recommend it to any one desiring to make pure good sweet butter. It absolutely gets all the cream regardless of the dry hot weather. WM. WINDGERS.

JASPER, Mo.,  
I have examined Hunt's Improved Cream Separator and believe it to be as recommended and were I not going out of the dairy business I would have one. JOHN HOCK.

CARTHAGE, Mo.,  
I have been using two of Hunt's Improved Cream Separators since the first of last Feb. I would not take 25c for them, and do without them. I sold two pigs between 5 and 6 months old two pigs between 215 pounds apiece. They had been fed nothing but separator milk and dry corn. My calves are doing fine on the same kind of milk. Respectfully, SOL MILLER.

CARTHAGE, Mo., July 20, 1901.  
To those interested in better making: I desire to state that I have been using one of Hunt's Improved Cream Separators and find it just what it is recommended to be. We would not do without ours. We get about one-half more cream than we did by the creek and ran system. WM. ALK.

JASPER, Mo., July 25, 1901.  
I have examined Hunt's Improved Cream Separator and believe it would be of great advantage to any butter maker. HARRISON HICK.

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Line Canned Goods at Reduced Prices  
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